| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
|---|---|---|---|
| 19. | Punjab | 377 | 285 |
| 20. | Rajasthan | 171 | 312 |
| 21. | Tamil Nadu | 2368 | 2693 |
| 22. | Tirpura | 38 | 21 |
| 23. | Uttar Pradesh | 6359 | 5417 |
| 24. | West Bengal | 241 | 97 |
| 25. | Delhi | 828 | 620 |
| 26. | Pondicherry | 5 | – |
| 27. | A&N Islands | 3 | 1 |
| 28. | Chandigarh | 19 | 12 |
| | Total | 12799 | 11565 |

*[English]*

**Trade with Bangladesh**

4316. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE : Will the Minister of COMMERCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government have any proposal to expand trade relation with Bangladesh; and

(b) if so, the details of areas identified for Indo-Bangla trade in the Ninth Plan;

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE (SHRI BOLLA BULLI RAMAIAH) : (a) It is Government's Policy to expand trade relations with all countries, including neighbouring countries like Bangladesh.

(b) India and Bangladesh have recently exchanged tariff concessions on a number of products of mutual interest with a view to increase bilateral trade. However, no area has been identified in this regard in the Ninth Plan.

*[Translation]*

**World Bank Aided Projects in Bihar**

4317. SHRI DINESH CHANDRA YADAV : Will the Minister for the STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) the number of projects functioning in Bihar with the assistance of the World Bank, location-wise;

(b) whether the Government have received any proposal from the Bihar Government to launch some more projects with the assistance of the World Bank;

(c) if so, the number of projects lying pending with the Union Government for clearance, location-wise; and

(d) the reasons for delay in granting them clearance ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI M.P. VEERENDRA KUMAR) : (a) There are four World Bank aided projects in the State of the Bihar, the location-wise details are as under :-

| Name of the Project | Locations in Bihar |
|---|---|
| 1. Bihar Plateau Dev. | Ranchi, Chaibara, Jamshedpur & Dumka |
| 2. Technician Education-I (Multi-State) | Bokaro, Patna, Ranchi, Dhanbad, Muzaffarpur, Aurrangabad, Siwan, Manoharpur, Saharsa & Dumka |
| 3. States Road (Multi-State) | Construction of a bridge over Ganga at Bhagalpur & approach roads to the bridge |
| 4. Shrimp & Fish Culture (Multi-State) | Eastern Champaran, Muzaffarpur & Begusarai |

Besides these projects there is one Project Preparation Facility extended to the State of Bihar to undertake diagnostic studies for Reform & restructuring of the State power sector and many other Central Sector project with the World Bank assistance in which the State of Bihar is one of the beneficiary.

(b) to (d) There are a number of proposed projects for World Bank assistance to the State of Bihar. Some of these are Bihar Forestry, Subrnrekha Irrigation and Bihar Primary Education project. These projects are at various stages of processing and the details including the amount in respect of these projects will be known only after the finalisation of aid negotiations with the World Bank.

*[English]*

**Legislative Ceiling on Public Debts**

4318. SHRI I.D. SWAMI: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has sought a legislative ceiling on Public debts;

(b) if so, the action has been taken by the Government in the matter;

(c) whether the RBI also called upon the Government for higher inflows of foreign savings to supplement